# **MEETING MINUTES**

# MILPITAS COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMISSION Milpitas City Hall, Committee Meeting Room Wednesday, August 2, 2017

I. Call to Order & Roll Call

Chair Mohsin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Present: Chair Mohsin, Commissioners Bilbao, Kathapurkar, Leon,

Manassau, Rosario, Sharma

Alternate Commissioners Present: Chen, Lee

Absent: Truong

Vice Chair Batilo and Commissioner Gandhi were absent at roll call

- II. Seating of Alternates Chen, Lee
- III. Pledge of Allegiance Chair Mohsin led the Pledge of Allegiance
- **IV. Approval of Agenda –** Commissioner Bilbao motioned, and Commissioner Rosario seconded, for approval of the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- V. Approval of Minutes Minutes of June 7, 2017 Commissioner Bilbao motioned, and Commissioner Leon seconded, for approval of the meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
- VI. Public Forum No speakers
- VII. Announcements Staff Liaison Tim Wong said the City Council passed a moratorium prohibiting the demolition of any affordable housing in affect for 1 year and 9 months. This is in response to Sunnyhills and the City is working on options to keep the current tenants in their apartments. Affordable housing has been identified as a high priority and City Council approved a \$150,000 predevelopment loan for a potential affordable housing project at 355 Sango Court.

Chair Mohsin said that Business Item D would be heard first as Commissioner Leon needed to leave the meeting early.

- **VIII.** Liaison Report Vice Mayor Grilli was not present.
- IX. Business Items

#### A. National Night Out

Chair Mohsin asked the commissioners to support their neighbors' events, and said the Acting City Manager announced National Night Out at the city council meeting and invited everyone to participate.

### B. Make A Difference Day

At the previous meeting, the CAC directed the Make A Difference Day subcommittee to begin planning the event and report back to the CAC with its initial recommendations for the event. Vice Chair Batilo is looking at October 22 for the date of the event, possibly

holding it with the Farmer's Market at the Great Mall; however, that is private property and there may be a fee. There is also a chance they can participate with the Recreation Department's Halloween event.

## C. Neighborhood Beautification Awards

Neighborhood Beautification Awards Information was sent to residents via Facebook. The deadline to apply was July 31 and three applications were received. One of the award categories is Staff Pick and staff is in the process of selecting a site. Mr. Wong said staff will be in contact with the subcommittee to arrange a time to view the three sites. Chair Mohsin feels a drive to view the homes is unnecessary, since there are just three, but he would like the applications emailed to the commissioners.

## **D. General Plan Advisory Commission Report**

Commissioner Leon said the GPAC meets every month. Last month they discussed public services and affordable housing with opportunities for school district employees in order to retain quality education in the city. Larger issues such as transportation and traffic have not yet been discussed.

#### X. Commissioners Round Table - Chair Mohsin

Commissioner Leon spoke with Cheryl Jordan of the MUSD and she is on board to participate in the Town Hall meeting. Commissioner Leon was disappointed that the city charged a fee for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration, as cities typically do not charge, and said there were many residents on the outside of the Cardoza Park fence because they could not afford to pay and enter. He brought this to the attention of the GPAC because discussions include providing services for the community. Chair Mohsin suggested that Commissioner Leon do more research and create a write up including ways to improve and a recommendation so the commission can make a formal request to the Recreation Department. Chair Batilo wants a Welcome to Milpitas sign in the city and would like this item agendized for a future meeting.

### Review Subcommittee Member Assignments and Update as Needed

Make a Difference Day:

National Night Out:

NBO Awards:

Spring Cleanup Day:

Town Hall Meeting:

Mahsin, Mohsin, Lee, Sharma (A)

Mohsin, Manassau, Truong, Chen (A)

Chen, Manassau, Rosario, Leon (A)

Sharma, Manassau, Batilo, Lee (A)

Gandhi, Leon, Sharma, Truong (A)

Kathapurkar, Bilbao, Rosario, Mohsin (A)

**XI.** Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM to the next meeting of September 6, 2017.